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TECH CENTER JORGE POCKET No. 09095.0009 **Application No.: 09/888,840**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Gary T. WANG et al.) Group Art Unit: 1624
Application No.: 09/888,840) Examiner: K. Habte
Filed: June 25, 2001)
For: ARYL PHENYLHETEROCYCLYL SULFIDE DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS CELL ADHESION INHIBITING ANTI-INFLAMMATORY AND IMMUNE-)))

Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a five month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of September 13, 2002. A fee of \$1,970.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

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